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## Response to Amendment

- 1. The reply filed on October 24, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): applicant has failed to identify an elected species in response to the restriction/election requirement mailed on September 28, 2005, as required. Both an identification of an elected species AND a listing of all claims readable thereon is required; merely providing a listing of claims is not sufficient. Please refer to the third paragraph of the abovementioned election/restriction requirement. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- 2. In response to applicant's remarks in the bottom paragraph on page 2 of the reply filed on October 24, 2005 that "the attorney for the Applicants spoke with the Examiner in this case" on Monday, October 17, 2005 "requesting clarification on the grounds for the election/restriction requirement so that the Applicants could be fully responsive to this requirement", the examiner hereby notes for the record that the ONLY attorney of record for the instant application is Mr. Michael J. Striker, Registration No. 27,233, who signed the reply filed on October 24, 2005. However, Mr. Striker did NOT telephone Examiner Ciric on Monday, October 17, 2005 nor, to the best of the examiner's knowledge, on any other date regarding the instant application. No customer number and no additional attorneys are associated with the instant application according to current USPTO records.
- 3. Applicant's traversal of the election/restriction requirement mailed on September 28, 2005 will be addressed upon receipt of a fully compliant response thereto from the applicants. However, should Attorney Striker or another attorney (who, in compliance with MPEP 713.05, is authorized by Attorney Striker or by the applicant to do so and who preferably provides a facsimile transmission of a proper

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power of attorney prior to any interview to the examiner's direct facsimiler number, 571-273-4909) wish to further discuss the election/restriction requirement mailed on September 28, 2005 prior to replying to the instant communication, the examiner will gladly grant a telephonic interview to the same. Please note, however, that also in accordance with MPEP 713.05, "interviews normally should not be granted unless the requesting party has authority to bind the principal concerned."

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ljiljana (Lil) V. Ciric whose telephone number is 571-272-4909. The examiner can normally be reached on Mondays through Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gene Mancene, can be reached at 571-272-4930.

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